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Re: Bluenose-West & East Caribou Herd Recommendations

At the Sahtu Renewable Resources Board's (SRRB) September 2005 Board Meeting, Alasdair Veitch, Department of Environment & Natural Resources (ENR), Sahtu Region, presented information about the recent Bluenose Caribou Herd photo-census results. Everyone agreed that the decline in both the Bluenose-West & East caribou populations is cause for concern.

It is now the responsibility of each Renewable Resource Council (RRC) to bring the information back to their community. Both ENR and SRRB staff are available to help present the information to the community. Each RRC should gather comments and suggestions from the community and forward them to the SRRB. Over the coming months, the suggestions and comments collected will be used 1) to develop a Sahtu-specific list of recommendations to be forwarded to the

Minister of ENR in early 2006 and 2) to participate in the development of separate co-management plans for the Bluenose-West & East Caribou Herds with other regions.

The Board looks forward to working with the RRCs and ENR to address this important wildlife issue. If there are any questions, please contact our office at (867) 588-4040. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Bayha', with a large, sweeping flourish above the name.

Walter Bayha
Chairman

Cc SRRB Board Members & Alternates
Steve Hannah, Superintendent, ENR – Sahtu Region
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